Scheme made by the Scottish Ministers, laid before the Scottish Parliament under section 29(2)(d) of the Agriculture Act 1970, for approval by resolution of the Scottish Parliament within 40 days beginning with the day on which the Scheme was made.

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AGRICULTURE

The Farm Business Development (Scotland) Amendment Scheme 2004

Made - - - -	*21st May 2004*
Laid before the Scottish Parliament - - - -	*24th May 2004*
Coming into force - -	*5th July 2004*

The Scottish Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 29 (1) and (2) of the Agriculture Act 1970(**1**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Scheme:

Citation and commencement

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Farm Business Development (Scotland) Amendment Scheme 2004 and shall come into force on 5th July 2004.

Amendment of the Farm Business Development (Scotland) Scheme 2001

2.—(1) The Farm Business Development (Scotland) Scheme 2001(**2**) is amended in accordance with this paragraph.

(2) In paragraph 2(1) (Interpretation), for the definition of "eligible person" substitute–

""eligible person" means–

(a) a person who is a legal occupier of an agricultural unit and who operates an eligible business on that unit;

(b) a person authorised to act on behalf of such legal occupier;

(**1**) 1970 c. 40. Section 29 was amended by section 10 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1972 (c. 62), section 15 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 (c. 55) and Schedule 1 to the Statute Law (Repeals) Act 1986 (c. 12). Section 28 contains a definition of "the appropriate authority" and "the appropriate Minister". The functions of the Secretary of State were transferred to the Scottish Ministers by virtue of section 53 of the Scotland Act 1998 (c. 46). The requirement to obtain Treasury approval was removed by section 55 of that Act.

(**2**) S.S.I. 2001/259.